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TO THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN & BURGESSES OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASTONBURY.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT FOR 1943.

Mrs. Bath & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for the year 1943. This is an interim report as instructed by Circular 1961 and abbreviated further to comply with the directions of Circular 2067.

V I T A L S T A T I S T I C S .

POPULATION:- Registrar General's Estimate: 4,953

		M.	F.	Total.
LIVE BIRTHS	Legitimate	51	42	93
	Illegitimate	5	7	12
		56	49	105
STILL BIRTHS	Legitimate	1	0	1
	Illegitimate	0	0	0
		1	0	1

Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population: 21·19

DEATHS:-	Males	Females	Total
	32	32	64

Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population: 12·92

Rates for England & Wales, per 1,000 Population:-

BIRTH RATE: 16·5 DEATH RATE: 12·1

DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES... 0
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE 2
(Rate per 1,000 Live Births: 19·04

(Rate for England & Wales
(per 1,000 live births: 49.0

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS)

Diseases	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to Isolation Hospital	Total deaths
Small Pox.....	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever.....	4	1	0
Diphtheria.....	0	0	0
Enteric Fever (including Para-typhoid)...	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	0	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	0	0	0
Cerebro Spinal Meningitis.....	0	0	0
Dysentery.....	0	0	0
Malaria.....	0	0	0
Pneumonia.....	7	0	1
Acute Poliomyelitis.....	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica.....	0	0	0
Measles.....	51	0	0
Whooping Cough.....	8	0	0
Other diseases notifiable locally:- Erysipelas.....	0	0	0

TUBERCULOSIS.

	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Year 1943 - all ages	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		TOTALS	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Total cases of Tuberculosis in the Borough at end of 1942	9	8	5	4	14	12
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PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY.

Practically the whole of the houses in the Borough are supplied from the Corporation mains. A few isolated farms and about 5 houses in the built-up areas obtain water from private wells.

The main supply is hard. Galvanised iron service pipes are used and no difficulty is experienced due to plumbo-solvent action.

The supply is constant, and a full supply for domestic purposes was maintained throughout the year, but restrictions were imposed on the use of hose pipes for garden watering, etc. for a period.

The main sources are being Chlorinated by means of an emergency Chlorinating Apparatus and the contract for the installation of a permanent Chlorination Plant was commenced during the year.

I am,
Your obedient servant,

T.H.A. PINNIGER

Medical Officer of Health.